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109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs an Office of National Disabled Veterans Sports Programs and Special Events.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE**
4 **OF NATIONAL DISABLED VETERANS SPORTS**
5 **PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF NATIONAL DIS-
7 ABLED VETERANS SPORTS PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL



1 EVENTS.—Chapter 3 of title 38, United States Code, is
2 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

3 **“§ 320. Office of National Disabled Veterans Sports**
4 **Programs and Special Events**

5 “(a) There is in the Department an Office of Na-
6 tional Disabled Veterans Sports Programs and Special
7 Events. There is at the head of the Office a Director.

8 “(b) Subject to the direction of the Secretary, the
9 Director—

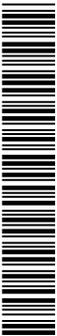
10 “(1) shall establish and carry out qualifying
11 programs and events;

12 “(2) may provide for sponsorship by the De-
13 partment of qualifying programs and events;

14 “(3) may provide for, facilitate, and encourage
15 participation by disabled veterans in qualifying pro-
16 grams and events; and

17 “(4) shall cooperate with the United States
18 Olympic Committee and its subsidiaries to promote
19 the participation of disabled veterans in sporting
20 events sponsored by the United States Olympic
21 Committee and its subsidiaries.

22 “(c) For purposes of this section, a qualifying pro-
23 gram or event is a sports program or other event in which
24 veterans with disabilities participate and that is approved



1 by the Secretary as being consistent with the goals and
2 missions of the Department.

3 “(d) There is authorized to be appropriated to carry
4 out the activities of the Office \$5,000,000 for each fiscal
5 year.”.

6 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
7 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
8 at the end the following new item:

“320. Office of National Disabled Veterans Sports Programs and Special
Events.”.

